

# The Snyder Signal

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## BAPTIST ASSOCIATION IN SESSION

THIS BODY OF CHRISTIAN PEOPLE NOW IN SESSION IN SNYDER.

The Scurry County Baptist Association is meeting in Snyder this week in annual session.

The first service was held at the Baptist church at 11 o'clock Thursday. The sessions will continue over Sunday. It is expected that delegates and others will be present from every Baptist congregation within the bounds of the Association.

The Missionary and other enterprises of the church will be given attention. Visitors are expected to be here from other associations.

It is said that Dr. Buckner, the venerable superintendent of the Buckner Orphan Home will probably be here. He is a grand old man and has a warm place in the hearts of all religious and benevolent men and women, regardless of denominational connections. He is in a great work and his labors have been a blessing to the state and humanity generally.

The Association met at 11 o'clock at the Baptist church Thursday morning. Rev. J. P. Hardesty of Abilene preached the introductory sermon.

At the afternoon session devotional services were conducted by Rev. J. A. Lindley of Abilene.

The Association was called to order by Rev. M. T. Tucker, with C. R. Lookhart in charge of the records.

Letters were read from churches, after which the delegates would be seated and committees appointed.

A more complete report of the meeting will be given next week.

Among the visitors at the opening session were: Rev. J. A. Lindley, Sweetwater; Rev. I. D. Hull, Rising Star; Rev. J. P. Hardesty, Abilene; Rev. J. P. Pipkin, Bryan; Rev. P. C. Dick, Abilene; Rev. A. B. Ingram, Austin; Rev. R. W. Merrill, Abilene.

Among the out-of-town homefolks were: O. L. Howell and A. Parker, of Hermleigh; L. V. Harrison, of Dermott; A. J. Leach and W. L. Leach, of Fluvanna; Rev. C. H. Kelly of Near Snyder.

There will be preaching every night during the associational meeting. It is understood now that Dr. Ingram will preach Sunday night. Dr. Buckner sends word that he cannot be here.

Let us all extend a cordial welcome to the association people so they may feel glad of having voted to hold their 1914 gathering in Snyder.

## RAZOR MAN HIT

SNYDER SHOW DAY

After the town had become well filled with people here Monday to see the show, a stranger giving his name as Meyer from Abilene stopped his automobile on the public square and announced that he was about to give a performance. He brandished a big knife which he said he would swallow, then he would hypnotize a boy and cut his head off—then he opened a trunk of waves and the only surgical act that he performed was the extraction of about a hundred silver dollars from about that many men in exchange for that many cents.

Those of us who have been hearing of nothing but hard times and cheap cotton had about concluded that very few men had a surplus dollar in their jeans and the fellow's x-ray found them and coaxed them out.

After unloading his stock of razors he proceeded to paralyze the purchasers by giving each one a Hot Springs diamond and then he scooped away to give room for the next parade.

## GERMANS TAKE HONOR TOLL

Ostend, Sept. 25.—The Germans have forced Brussels to pay six million dollars in gold as the first installment of an unknown indemnity. The German pretense to accept the German bonds held by Brussels banks as payment for the indemnity.

## NEW PASTOR ACCEPTS WORK IN SNYDER

Rev. A. B. Lawrence, of Abilene, preached here Sunday and Sunday night for the congregation at the Church of Christ. It is learned that he has accepted a call of this church as a regular pastor and will preach here regularly on every fourth Sunday.

He is a young man of pleasant address and sociable disposition and said to be a strong pulpit preacher.

## ONE THOUSAND BARRELS OF TEXAS LARD SHIPPED TO EUROPEAN WAR ZONE

Fort Worth Record:

Fort Worth made lard, put up by Armour & Company will be used in preparing food for the soldiers of Europe. A solid train of fifteen cars containing a thousand barrels, 467,000 pounds, was moved over the Texas and Pacific to New Orleans for export to that concern Monday.

None of the officials of the local plant was able to say where the final destination of the shipment was. This shipment will be handled as red bull freight and the train will have preference over any other through freight on the line.

Every pound of the lard was put up by the Armour plant in Fort Worth. It is one of the largest shipments of lard ever moved from Texas.

## WHY NOT PAVE SCARBOROUGH STREET

Pete Brady said the other day that he has a notion to get out with a petition to try to get the City Council and the people of Snyder to pave Scarborough street from the public square to the Santa Fe depot. Such a proposition ought to meet with popular favor. A paved street there would be seen and travelled over by nearly everybody who comes to Snyder and they would tell about it everywhere they go. Any town that makes advances in the way of improvement finds it necessary to issue bonds. If they should wait till there is enough money in the treasury the improving would never be done. A bond issue to pave that thoroughfare would not have to be very large and the benefits coming from such an improvement would be worth far more than the interest on the bonds.

## The Roscoe Races

The big features of the entertainment of last week, was one of the big features of the entertainment.

The Signal has been handed the following track report:

2:25 Pacing Race—Purse \$125. First Heat—Noble Temple, owned by Stokes of Temple, 1st; Alex Fern, owned by Brumley of Snyder, 2nd; Trisy, owned by Wallace of Roscoe, 3rd; Lady Duff, owned by Wallace of Roscoe, 4th. Second Heat—Brumley 1st; Stokes 2nd; Wallace 3rd and 4th. Third Heat—Brumley 1st; Wallace 2nd; Stokes 3rd; Wallace 4th. Time 2:14 in each race. Fast Track and large crowd.

## Religious Censuses

The Sunday Schools of Snyder will take the religious census of the city October 7th. Every home will be visited on that date. The purpose of this is to enlist everyone to attend church and Sunday school, who can. Following this census, on October 18th, will be Sunday School Day in Snyder. The number in attendance at each school will be published. Let's break the record.

## WILL ADDRESS ALUMNI OF MERKEL SCHOOL

Mr. W. W. Hamilton will address the Alumni Association of the Merkel High School on next Friday evening, of which High School he is a former graduate.

The invitation came to him some days ago and he has accepted. This is a deserved honor from his school associates and we feel sure he will meet all expectations.

## ALTRUIAN CLUB BOOK SHOWER

SNYDER PEOPLE CONTRIBUTE MANY VOLUMES TO PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Quite a large crowd of Snyder people attended the book shower given last Friday night by the Altruiar ladies at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kneil.

This party was given so the people could bring books to donate to the public library and the affair proved a success.

The people enjoyed an evening of social pleasure. Friends met friends and new acquaintances were formed. Social games were enjoyed and it was a general good time for everybody.

There were a large number of books donated to the library. This is a worthy cause and deserves the support and encouragement of all the people.

The Altruiar Club is composed of intelligent, progressive ladies who are always ready to co-operate in any undertaking that has for its purpose the uplift of the community. Their work for the pleasure and good of others. They are devoted to tasks for public benefit. Their labors are devoid of selfishness. Their purposes are lofty and their efforts are directed toward higher ideals.

Upon whatever they place their generous touch they leave the tender impress of self-sacrifice and love for human kind. They deserve the co-operation of all good people and in building up a library they are providing for the comfort and enlightenment of the rising youth of the community.

## MRS. C. S. PERKINS, JR. EN. TERTAINS EL. FELIZ CLUB

Mrs. C. S. Perkins, Jr. was hostess for the El Feliz Club Friday, Sept. 25th.

Mrs. I. W. Hargis was elected a member. After a short business session several games of "42" were enjoyed.

The hostess served a delicious ice cream.

## Church Leader's Meeting.

The Church Leader's meeting of Camp Springs Circuit, will meet at Camp Springs on October 4th (being first Sunday). The program will be as follows:

Opening at 11 o'clock. Home Mission—Mrs. H. G. Towle. Song—Who Would Not Be a Mission Man.

Foreign Missions. Carry the Message.

Dinner will be spread for all. Afternoon session will open with a few minutes singing.

Sunday Schools—Miss Theolina McCouch, Matt Morton, W. F. Butler.

Prayer Meeting—G. M. Maule, J. J. Harris.

Singing in the Church—A. T. Finch.

Music—A. J. Horton.

Singing Out of the Church—E. S. Dorsett.

Temperance. Why We Should Criticize the Preacher—H. M. Boyd, E. S. Dorsett, C. L. Kroll.

## Austrians are Routed.

London, Sept. 25.—A Central News dispatch from Rome says that the following telegram has been received from Petrograd:

"The right wing of the Austrians has been driven beyond the Carpathians into Hungary, where they are being pursued by the Russians. The Austrian front is complete and they have lost all of their artillery."

"The Austrian left wing has retreated to Cracow. The Russians have occupied another of the forts of Przemysl."

## New School Equipments.

New school desks have been received to equip the schools at Quinn school house and White Bluff. Our country schools are entitled to the best there is and it is gratifying to see them so well fitted up.

## J. C. FOX DIED SUDDENLY SATURDAY

BRIEF ILLNESS WITH BLOOD CLOT ON THE BRAIN RESULTS IN DEATH.

Mr. J. C. Fox for a number of years the efficient manager of the Snyder Oil Mill died quite suddenly at his home last Saturday morning.

It is learned that he was seemingly in good health Friday, but during the afternoon he complained of spells of dizziness and blindness and when he went home at 6 o'clock, he was feeling so badly that Mrs. Fox got him to lie down and insisted upon calling a physician. He urged her not to do so that he would soon be alright. During the night his condition became alarming and his wife called the doctor. Before daylight the suffering man became apparently unconscious and died at 8:30 Saturday morning.

The funeral took place Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. M. T. Tucker.

J. C. Fox was about 48 years old. He was a quiet, good man, always engaged in attending his own affairs. People who knew him well held him in high esteem. He was honorable and trustworthy in all his dealings and in his business affairs had the confidence of the public and the company for whom he worked.

The attending physician diagnosed his ailment as blood clot on the brain.

The sorrowing family have the profound sympathy of many friends.

## New Editor at Gail.

Mr. O. P. Spear, editor of the Borden County Citizen, was over from Gail a few days ago and paid the Signal a fraternal visit. Mr. Spear has been a resident of Gail nearly all his life. The Citizen has been revived under his management and within a few weeks time he has given it a touch of thrifty new life. He is a capable young man and we look for him to give his people a local paper abundantly worthy of liberal support.

## Barless-Berry Marriage.

Mr. Benjie Barless and Miss Ols Berry were married last Sunday afternoon at the home of the officiating minister, Rev. C. H. Kelly.

The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Chap Barless of the Phalaris community and the bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Berry of the Pleasant Hill community. They are a splendid young couple, representing two of our best Scurry county families.

The Signal joins their many friends in congratulation.

## Special Teachers' Examination.

Judge Buchanan has received notice from State Superintendent Douglas that in order to meet the demand for teachers' certificates, there will be a special examination of teachers held at the county seat of such county in Texas on Friday and Saturday, October 16 and 17. Those examinations will be in regular form and under the rules governing the regular county examinations. Persons wishing to go before the board in Snyder will see Judge C. H. Buchanan.

## Methodist Missionary Auxiliary.

The Methodist Missionary Auxiliary meets October 15th at 1:15 p. m. Business meeting. Parliamentary drill. Scripture—Mrs. Chas. Nation. If anyone has articles for bazaar, bring them along.

## LADY DIED SUDDENLY IN HER COMMUNITY

Mrs. Pink Ingram, of Ellis County died quite suddenly about 8 o'clock Wednesday night at the home of W. W. Ingram in the Bluff Creek neighborhood near Ira.

She appeared to be in good health at supper time Wednesday night. She was soon afterward stricken and lived only a few minutes. The remains were buried Thursday evening in the Ira cemetery.

## SNYDER LADIES RETURN FROM SOUTH TEXAS

Miss Mary Akers and her mother returned Sunday from a visit with relatives in Brownsville and other points. They left Miss Myrtle Akers in Brownsville with her sister. She was not yet well enough to return. She is much improved, however, but can not sit up yet. She hopes to join her mother and sister in Snyder.

Their many friends here are glad to know of Miss Mertie's improved condition and hope she will soon entirely recover.

## TREMENDOUS CROWDS IN SNYDER TO SEE THE PARADE—SHOW CROWD FAIR

Monday was show day in Snyder.

Howe's "Great London Shows" came in Sunday morning from Lubbock and Snyder people have leisure time to pass around the show grounds Sunday and see the horses and such other features as were exposed to view.

Early Monday morning the town was astir. People came in from the country and waited until noon for the street parade. The first show was given at 2 o'clock and there was a moderately sized crowd.

The night attendance was considerably more. As to the quality of the show, opinion probably takes on different shades.

Like all shows, it came here for the money and got it. To most people all circuses are much alike and the managers are on the same order. They had elephants, camels and monkeys enough, but otherwise the animal collection was hardly up to the standard.

There were trapeze and tight rope performers. The jugglers were pronounced fine. There was very little horseback exercise. The clowns were funny. There were some entertaining features enough that probably everybody got his money's worth. Their expenses were enough of course to leave some of their receipts with our people and the balance sheet shows that we had the show and we may as well let it go at that.

## Buy-a-Bale Club Grows.

Mr. W. D. Sims bought a bale of cotton last week from a widow lady at 16 cents a pound and had it set up in the lobby of the First National Bank. The First State Bank & Trust Company also has a second bale of 16 cent cotton in the front of their building.

## SNYDER MAN MAKING SORRIFER MOLLASSES

E. A. McHale is having his sorghum crop worked up into molasses. Mr. Hale is engineering the job and is turning out lots of "good brown." It is no people would raise sorghum and make their own molasses there would be a cutting down of foreign expenses.

## "TEXAS RUD" STUCK NAIL IN HIS FOOT

"Texas Rud" Manager of the Mockingbirds at the Street Carnival and a nail stuck through his left foot last Monday. The wound has been giving him severe pain, but he managed to limp around and keep his accustomed place going, to the satisfaction of the public.

J. C. Miller and wife and daughter came in Thursday morning from an extended stay in East Texas. Mr. Miller made a trip into Arkansas to September and he reports the apple crop good in the Ozarks. He says he is glad to get back to Scurry County.

## Crossett Goes to Penitentiary

The young man, Crossett, of Lawrence, who has been in jail here for several months under a 25-year sentence to the penitentiary for murder, was taken away a few days ago. The Sheriff of his county came for him, and took him from here to Lawrence to see his mother, and then took him to the penitentiary to enter upon his long sentence.

C. E. Perkins left Thursday evening on a business trip to El Paso.

## GOOD LADY GONE TO HER REWARD

MRS. M. MERCER PASSED AWAY MONDAY AFTER LONG PERIOD OF SUFFERING

Mrs. Emily I. Mercer, wife of Mr. M. Mercer, aged 48 years, 10 months and six days died Monday at the family home in East Snyder, after an illness extending over several months. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon. Services at the Snyder Cemetery, conducted by Rev. M. T. Tucker, attended by a large gathering of sympathizing friends and neighbors.

The Signal joins with the people of Snyder in extending sympathy to the bereft husband and relatives.

She was a consistent member of the Baptist church, a good wife and mother, and a neighbor who had the esteem and confidence of all who knew her.

Her sufferings have been severe, but her faith in God remained firm.

## TRADES DAY AT FLUVANNA SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10TH.

The enterprising citizenship of our neighboring town Fluvanna have arranged and will pull off a Trades Day Event there Saturday, October 10th. They are circulating advertising matter and anticipate a successful affair.

The enterprising people of the town and surrounding country will be there to mix and mingle, to discuss crops and markets and other matters of community co-operation and welfare. It is expected that everybody will be there.

## In Answer to Prayer.

Bro. M. T. Tucker in his church Bulletin relates this case:

"Mrs. M. T. Tucker who has been so poorly for several weeks is much improved. In fact she seems to be well. With this came such a victory in prayer that we feel justified in relating it. She has had so much physical work done that we are always uneasy for fear she will have to go back and in fact the surgeons have been convinced that a very serious operation would yet be required to regulate her trouble. She suffered on much Sunday night that we had dreaded. We had made up our minds that she would have to go and intended to start Monday. The arrangements could not be completed however and she suggested that we try special prayer. We had often prayed over her case but there seemed to be a crystallizing of faith and dependence on God never felt before. We felt the victory was won. In a very brief space of time, not only the pain but the inflammation was gone and by twelve o'clock Monday all traces of the trouble were gone and never returned. Since that day of triumph we have been well. We know this is in direct answer to our prayers. Praise be to the Lord because he hath heard his people and my supplication." The hymn expresses it: "Oh what precious pains we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer." His promises are abounding but we so often neglect the high privilege he gives us."

Mrs. Ed. Briggeman and children returned Tuesday to their home at Justiceburg.

## THE DEARBORO CARNIVAL HERE ALL THIS WEEK

The carnival is holding the boards here this week at the show grounds near the B. & P. station. They have some very entertaining shows there. The broncho riding is good for people who like it. The motor show is much talked about. There the performers ride motor cycles on an inclined wall at a speed of sixty miles an hour.

The other attractions draw good crowds every night and furnish lots of amusement for people who like to be out at night.

People far away from city excitement really like for these things to come along once in awhile to break the monotony.